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### A SIGNAL VICTORY.

The Committee on Privileges and Election has done nobly in deciding to recommend the seat. ing of Hon. JOHN MERCER LANG-District of South Carolina.

Both of the contestants are Col. law, were denied the right to vote. ored and this makes three Negro the Halls of Congress.

into the merits of the case.

He was bitterly opposed by white Republicans who declared that no right to vote. Negro should go to Congress from that District. He was denied representation at the count, only his enemies witnessing the same licans were denied the right to cast their ballots. Mr. LANGSTON proved that instead of Mr. E. C. VENABLE having 642 majority he (VENABLE) had been defeated by over 2,500 majority.

The question which naturally afford to endorse such outrages.

Mr. LANGSTON as a citizen of Virginia, a resident of the District clearly had the right to aspire for the Congressional nomination.

There must be much rejoicing over the successful termination of a case which has lingered until almost the closing hour of the first

We presume that the BRECKEN-RIDGE Case had much to do with the reaching of the above conclusions. Hon. JOHN M. CLAYTON was murderously butchered while endeavoring to secure testimony to make good his title to the seat occupied by Mr. C. R. BRECKEN-RIDGE. A sub committee consis ting of members of the Committee on Privileges and Elections visited Arkansas and after hearing testi mony and seeing the condition of affairs, Chairman LACEY declared that they considered themselves lucky to get out of the confines of the state alive, and had no desire to tempt Providence again.

In the meantime, the sub-committee has decided to recommend that the seat now held by Mr. C. R. BRECKENBIDGE be declared

It was evidence secured in this manner that served to bring about an immediate termination of the cases referred to. Mr. E. C. VENA BLE will now be ousted from a seat to which he had never been elected and Congressman John MERCER LANGSTON will receive the recognition bestowed upon him by the voters of the 4th Congressional District more than a year and a half ago.

Well done, Colored men! Now rally again, organize thoroughly and let the welkin ring with

"Return Langston to Congress!"

When liberal minded Democrats take charge of the election machin ery then self respecting Colored men can afford to vote the Demo cratic ticket and not before.

Messrs. Preston Belvin, Geo Precinct, Jackson ward. who stuff | we are just like other people ed the ballot box ?

### THE CITY ELECTION.

The city election is over. That of thousands of votes no right thinking man will question.

But the most outrageous of all the schemes was the one to steal Jackson Ward. This banner Republican Ward with its three thousand majority was to be stolen by methods that are in keeping with the past Democratic record.

The stuffing of the ballot-box in the First Precinct, Jackson Ward, was the most criminal act in the history of the city. By it, with only about eighty white men voting, Capt. Chas. H. Epps secur ed 212 votes while the preciuct went Democratic by 24. What have the liberal-minded Democrats to say relative to this political robbery?

Where are those who would recommend that the Negro vote the Democratic ticket?

The running of an independent Republican ticket afforded an excuse for the Democrats to spring a ticket and count out the regular nominees on the Republican ticket. The scheme miscarried and true Republicanism was triumphant.

We desire men who have a conscience-Democratic white men. to go into Jackson Ward and see how colored men, bona-fide voters, are disfranchised, and then ask themselves whether or not they are sur-STON of the Fourth Congressional prised at Colored men persistently District of Virgi aia and Mr. MIL | voting the Republican ticket. The LER of the Seventh Congressional most unnecessary questions were asked. Men, in violation of all

Possibly the most glaring out representatives upon the floor of rage was that of Mr. WILLIAM GLASGOW, an old colored gentle-We have steadily maintained man, who lives at ----- Webthat to fail to seat Mr. LANGSTON ster Street. The name has been would have been especially disas. changed to Goddin St., and altrous to the Republican Party. though he has lived there, and vot-That he was elected was apparent ed from that place for the last to any one who chose to examine twenty-five years, and his name was on the registration books as he had stated it, he was denied the

Republicans of the North, you who are disposed to be cajoled by tales of southern Bourbons; look upon the statements and draw and thousands of bona-fide Repub. your own conclusions. In viola tion to their sworn obligations, ob livious of every principle of right, they would steal from us our repre sentation in the only Republican Ward in the city. It is the "shoe string ward." One which was made so as to embrace all of the presented itself was whether or colored people in this locality, and not the Republican Party could with a city government overwhelmingly Democratic, they would steal even that from us.

> Can there be any doubt of the wisdom of passing a national elec tion law?

Can the government afford to trust the national election machin ery in the hands of such a party, who openly defies the law ! We believe not.

God grant that the time will soon come that principle will be re spected and a sordid greed for even non paying offices sent to the rear. It is evident that in this Christian city, many a saint in a church is a devil when an election is to be carried. It is consoling to think that a just God beholds the actions of men and knows the secret of every heart.

Quite a warm discussion took place at the Va. Baptist State Convention on the 15th inst. The occasion was that of the removal of Rev. Dr. E. K. LOVE, Rev. WM. J. SIMMONS, D. D. and Rev. WAL TER H. BROOKS from the list of contributors to The Baptist Teacher on account of the prejudice of the whites of the South. The Colored divines were outspoken in their denunciation of the American Baptist Publication Society for what they regard as the sacrificing of their representatives in order to retain certain financial support. Rev. Dr. E. M. BRAWLEY was on the Society and performed that

duty well. Rev. A. BINGA, Jr., of Manchester, Va., one of the most conserva tive of the divines in the state caused a sensation by offering the resolutions which we published in our last issue. They were unanimously adopted.

The action of Revs. SIMMONS, BROOKS and LOVE in condemning its existence. the barbarous ousting of ministers of the gospel from first class coaches after tickets had been sold for the same will be endorsed by all to be having right thinking people.

Their protest against the action of the American Baptist Publica BAILEY, -FELTHAUS, Law tion Society in beeding the how! IS STIWART, CLARENCE PRY of their prejudiced element is in TON, and HENRY MOORE were keeping with the self-respect and

to be regretted. However, we rejoice to see the clergy showing signs of aggressive manhood. Mr. JAM'S C. SMITH was robbed When they set the example, the June; people will follow.

### THE LYNCHBURG SEMINARY.

The V rginia Seminary at Lynch burg is urgently needed. There can be no question about that. The hostility manifested by certain members of the Democratic Party demonstrates that immediate action is needed. We wish that every one could see the unfinished condition of the edifice. Five thousand dollars is needed at

The walls have been built one story. Shall we not place our shoulders to the wheel and com plete the work? Let us organize and rally. Send in contributions to Mr. R. T. HILL, of this city and it will be duly acknowledged.

Help the Virginia Seminary at Lynchburg.

Mesers. PRESTON BELVIN, GEORGE BAILEY, ----FELTHAUS, LEWIS STEWART, CLARENCE PEYTON, and HENRY MOORE were present at the count in the First Precinct, Jackson Ward. Who stuffed the ballot-box?

Colored men be of good cheer, Bourbon fraud and trickery cannot win forever. "GoD reigns, and the government at Washington still

The action of certain Democratic leaders in Jackson Ward should be sufficient to damn them in the eyes of all right thinking people for years to come.

In the First Precinct Jackson Ward, the regular Republican ticket was not allowed any representation at the count. Men who were to represent that side of the contest were ordered out by burly policemen. And this is the way politics is conducted in Richmond city. It is almost as bad as the Mississippi plau.

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to tac ics which were a disgrace any man and yet be stands sworn ploits ever accomplished in any to recognize the "civil and political country. equality of all men before the law."

When men can proceed upon hope of religious redemption.

Colored men, be true to your race. Be honest. Cast out men who deceive you, and can't be trusted about anything.

We have received the report of Major McKINLEY from the Com mittee on Ways and Means also the reports of the Committee on Election in the WADDILL VS. WISE contest and return thanks to Hon. EDMUND WADDILL, Jr.

It looks very much like certain colored men in Jackson Ward were in league with Democrats to allow the ballot box to be stuffed to defeat the regular Republican ticket, and elect the straight Demo cratic one. If this be true, quite a number of conscientious colored men were led into a trap.

Religion is a good thing: there fore get religion. Money is a good

thing: therefore get money. Reports of the lynching of Color ed men continue to come in. Col ored men should protect them selves. Lynch law must go!

We don't see how any judge of an election can swear solemnly hand to represent the interest of before God to see that justice is done to all parties concerned and then before ten hours have passed away violate that oath, not only by obstructing voters but by witnessing fraud without making any effort to check it.

> We congratulate the Detroit Plaind aler upon its success in entering upon the eighth year of

It is kept up to the highest journalistic standpoint, and deserves the success which it seems

With all his trials and tribula tions the Colored man is happy.

We received from Senator JOHN W. DANIEL the report of the Com present at the count in the First | manliness which goes to show that | mittee on Ways and Means rela tive to the MCKINLEY Tariff Bill The unfortunate controversy is for which we return thanks.

WE have received from the American Baptist Publication So ciety, the following publications for

Our Little Ones, Our Young People, The Sunlight, The Young Reaper, The Worker. To read them is to We have received an invitation to the closing exercises of the Kittrell Normal and Industrial Institute. Kittrell, N. C. which we received an invitation to the

anniversary exercises of Wayland Seminary, which begun on the 25th inst, continuing through the

took place on the 26th inst.

The Baptist Superintendent, The

Buptist Teacher, Bible Lessons.

appreciate them.

Disguise the fact as we may, the Negro's greatest enemy is him-

The South is sowing seeds of disupion that will bring forth a blood shed. Genera a yet unborn will suffer.

we received an invitation to the Commencement Exercises of Howard University Normal Depart ment which took place on the 28th inst at 8 P. M., by the kindness of Miss ANNA J. PERRY, also another to that of the Law Depart ment, by the kindness of Mr. G. HERBERT RENFRO.

A man who would sell his vote is worse than an infidel.

We received the oration of FREDERICK M. BURROWS, LL. B. in pamphlet form delivered at Eastville, Va. Jan. 1st. It posses ses much merit.

we received an invitation to the marriage of Miss LAVINIA I. BOOTHE to Mr. FRANK W. HAR RIS, which took place on the 22d inst at 1706 Tasker st., Philadelphia. May their wedded life be crowned with success.

we never thought that V rginia would ever produce a Governor who would sign a bill without read

The passage of the McKi LIY Tariff Bill by the Republican Orders promptly executed. House of Representatives just as it came from the Committee on Mr. PRESTON BELVIN resorted ways and Means was one of the FINEST BURJmost w ... kable Clegislative ex-

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> when hightoned white men resort to ballot-box stuffing, what must the Colored man do ?

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